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MEMORANDUM FOR: ~~The Director~~

VIA: The Deputy Director

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1. This memorandum recommends action in Paragraph 8.
2. Hanson Baldwin, Military Editor of the NEW YORK TIMES, will arrive in Washington today and will remain here until Friday (15 December 1961). He asks if you will see him for a general discussion on any plans you may have for the CIA, reorganization, personnel changes, objectives, but he understands that you may not at this time wish to discuss any CIA matters.
3. You will recall that Baldwin was a member of the Eberstadt Task Force when the first Hoover Commission investigation of CIA was made in 1948. Baldwin has kept in touch with General Smith and with Mr. Dulles on a non-attribution basis during their tenures as Directors of Central Intelligence.
4. Baldwin has very excellent contacts in the Pentagon, particularly in the Navy (he is a Naval Academy graduate) and in the Department of Defense, particularly with Roswell Gilpatric.
5. We have always had an alert on the Director's part to make sure that something Baldwin got elsewhere and which was not public would not be confirmed by the DCI. However, he has proved to be an honest reporter. He is strongly for a Watchdog Committee for CIA.
6. I have known Mr. Baldwin since 1930 when he was writing the "One-hundred Neediest Cases" for the NEW YORK TIMES and I have the distinction of having broken him in as a military writer and for taking him on his first large Army maneuver in 1935. I consider him a friend and a man of integrity who will keep his word.
7. Mr. Baldwin will be free to come here at anytime today, Monday; tomorrow, Tuesday (12 December); until 1 PM on Wednesday (13 December). He can come at anytime on Thursday (14 December) or anytime until noon on Friday (15 December).
8. Recommendation: That the Director see Mr. Baldwin at the Director's convenience within the free time of Mr. Baldwin, as above listed.

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cc: DDCI

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